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Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56 and 1.97(b), Applicant brings to the attention of the Examiner the documents listed on the attached PTO-1449. This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed before the mailing date of a first Office Action on the merits for the above-referenced application

A copy of each listed document is attached. Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner consider the listed documents and evidence that consideration by making appropriate notations on the attached form.

- (a) JP-B2-2727960: The relevance of this document can be understood from the discussion at page 4 of the present application, the English language abstract attached thereto, the figures therein.
- (b) JP-A-9-225855: This relevance of this document can be understood from the International Search Report, the English language abstract attached thereto, and the figures therein.
- (c) JP-A-9-109058: The relevance of this document can be understood from the International Search Report, the English language abstract thereto, and the figures therein.

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Respectfully submitted,

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